

Re: Fw: from AP

KarenD Johnson to: David Sternberg

Daniel Ryan, Jennie Saxe, Jon Capacasa, Michael DAndrea,

Thomas Damm, Victoria Binetti

From: KarenD Johnson/R3/USEPA/US

To: David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US@EPA

Cc: Daniel Ryan/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Jennie Saxe/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Jon

Capacasa/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Michael DAndrea/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Thomas

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12/02/2011 02:05 PM

Karen D. Johnson, Chief Ground Water & Enforcement Branch

-----David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US wrote: -----

To: Victoria Binetti/R3/USEPA/US@EPA From: David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US

Date: 12/02/2011 12:52PM

Cc: KarenD Johnson/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Michael DAndrea/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Daniel

Ryan/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Jennie Saxe/R3/USEPA/US@EPA, Jon Capacasa/R3/USEPA/US@EPA,

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Vicky,

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David

---- Forwarded by David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US on 12/02/2011 12:06 PM -----

"Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>

From:

David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US@EPA

To:

12/02/2011 12:02 PM

Date:

Re: from AP

Subject:

Is EPA saying the unfiltered water coming from the wells meets federal drinking water standards and is safe to drink?

Mike

From: Sternberg.David@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Sternberg.David@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, December 02, 2011 10:51 AM

To: Rubinkam, Michael **Subject:** Re: from AP

Mike,

EPA has sent the following message to residents of Dimock explaining the agency's official position.

Dear Dimock Residents,

This email is a follow-up to the visits to Dimock area homes by EPA on November 10, 2011 and the subsequent review of well sampling data for wells impacted by the Cabot Oil and Gas Company drilling activities. EPA has conducted a preliminary review and screening of the data provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and residents. While we are continuing our review, to date, the data does not indicate that the well water presents an immediate health threat to users. EPA will continue to review available information related to the concerns of Dimock area residents. We are continuing to work with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania going forward on this issue.

Please feel free to call me or David Polish, Community Involvement Coordinator, at (215) 814-3327, if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Trish Taylor, Community Involvement Coordinator Hazardous Site Cleanup Division (Mailcode 3HS52) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA., 19103 phone: (215) 814 - 5539

fax: (215) 814 - 3015

Regarding correspondence with PADEP, EPA and PADEP are in contact on this matter on a regular basis.

Activation under CERCLA in Dimock is not under consideration at this time.

David Sternberg Press Officer U.S. EPA 215-814-5548

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>
To: David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 12/01/2011 11:16 AM

Subject: from AP

David,

Just left you a voice message. Please give me a call at your earliest convenience. Thanks. Mike

Michael Rubinkam

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